



NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors, Exceptional Children Programs
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FROM: Sherry H. Thomas, Director *SHT*

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS GENERAL CONFERENCE AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS FOR THE 72nd CONFERENCE ON EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

The Office of Exceptional Children is pleased to announce that the Call for Proposals for general conference and poster presentations for the 72nd Conference on Exceptional Children will be open from March 15, 2023, until May 26, 2023. Accepted proposals will be notified by June 9, 2023.

The general Conference will be held **Monday and Tuesday, October 23-24, 2023, at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro**. Each year thousands of special education teachers, administrators, related service providers, community partners, and families of students with disabilities gather at this event to learn, network, and celebrate exemplary practice models, people, and content. As we celebrate this milestone of the 72nd Conference, we are excited to announce this year's theme: *Opportunities to Learn, Opportunities to Succeed*.

INSTRUCTIONAL SESSIONS: The Office of Exceptional Children is seeking proposals for 90-minute instructional sessions and poster presentations on a wide variety of topics pertaining to the education of students with disabilities. These sessions will be held on **Monday, October 23, and Tuesday, October 24, 2023**. Please visit the [Proposal Submission link](#) for more information and to submit a proposal. The link will also be shared via consultant listservs and NCDPI social media.

Please share this information with staff in your district, as the Conference has a rich tradition of local presentations from throughout North Carolina. Questions related to instructional session and poster proposals may be directed to ECCConfProposals@dpi.nc.gov.

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